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SUMMARY: TITO VISIT CONCLUDED SUCCESSFULLY OCT. 31

DESPITE PRESS LAMENTS OVER RESTRICTIONS DUE TO REQUIREMENTS OF SECURITY. TITO USED FINAL STATE DINNER TO EXPRESS HIS KNOWN VIEWS ON CYPRUS AND MIDDLE EAST SITUATIONS. INVITATION EXTENDED FOR RETURN VISIT BY QUEEN AND PRINCE HENRIK TO YUGOSLAVIA. END SUMMARY.

1. TITO'S VISIT WENT LARGELY AS PLANNED WITH VERY MINOR ALTERATIONS. WHILE THE VISIT APPEARS TO HAVE BEEN SUCCESSFUL, THE MAJOR STORY FEATURED BY THE PRESS WAS THAT OF THE UNPRECEDENTED SECURITY MEASURES INVOLVED. APART FROM THE FEW CAREFULLY ARRANGED "PUBLIC" APPEARANCES, WHICH ONLY A SELECT NUMBER OF GUESTS AND JOURNALISTS WERE PERMITTED TO ATTEND, THE YUGOSLAV PRESIDENTIAL PARTY WAS KEPT IN SECLUSION AT THE ROYAL COUNTRY PALACE AT FREDENSBORG. PRESS REACTION, CONSEQUENTLY, BEGAN TO TURN SOUR TOWARD THE END. ONE PAPER TYPICALLY EDITORIALIZED THAT WAR CORRESPONDENTS SHOULD HAVE BEEN SENT TO COPENHAGEN INSTEAD OF POLITICAL JOURNALISTS, SINCE THEY COULD, AT LEAST, HAVE ANALYZED THE STRATEGY AND TACTICS FOR "OPERATIONS TITO", AND WRITTEN ABOUT SUCH NEWSWORTHY ITEMS AS THE CALIBER OF THE POLICE SHARPSHOOTER'S RIFLES.

2. TITO'S HEALTH: ALTHOUGH TITO APPEARED TO BE IN EXCELLENT CONDITION FOR HIS AGE AND DISPLAYED FULL INTELLECTUAL ACUITY AND PRESENCE AT HIS PRESENTATION TO THE DIPLOMATIC CORPS AND IN TV APPEARANCES, HIS HEALTH WAS CLEARLY A MATTER OF SOME CONCERN. THE PROGRAM WAS SLIGHTLY MODIFIED AT SEVERAL PLACES TO AVOID HIS BEING REQUIRED TO CLIMB STAIRS. TWO DOCTORS WERE IN CONSTANT ATTENDANCE AND AN AMBULANCE ESPECIALLY EQUIPPED FOR HEART PATIENTS WAS ALWAYS IN THE CORTEGE.

3. ON LAST DAY OF VISIT PRESIDENT TITO WAS PRESENTED TO DANISH FOLKETING MEMBERS AT RECEPTION GIVEN IN COPENHAGEN CITY HALL, WHERE HE SHOWED SPECIAL ATTENTION TO SOCIALIST PEOPLES PARTY (SF) GROUP. THIS WAS APPROPRIATE AS SF HAS LONG CONSIDERED ITSELF THE TRUE DEFENDERS OF THE YUGOSLAV SYSTEM IN DANISH POLITICS. TITO SINGLED OUT WIDOW OF FORMER SF PARTY CHAIRMAN, AKSEL LARSEN, FOR FEW MINUTES PRIVATE CONVERSATION. THIS WAS ALSO ONLY LIMITED OFFICIAL USE

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OCCASION TITO HAD TO MEET YUGOSLAV RESIDENTS IN DENMARK, AS SOME THIRTY WERE AMONG THE INVITED GUESTS.

4. TALKS BETWEEN PRIMIN HARTLING AND TITO OCT. 31 WERE CONCLUDED AFTER ONLY ONE HOUR. SUBJECTS DISCUSSED, HARTLING SAID, INCLUDED THE EUROPEAN SITUATION, GENEVA DISARMAMENT TALKS, MEDITERRANEAN PROBLEMS AND THE MIDDLE EAST. BILATERAL RELATIONS WERE NOT MENTIONED SINCE

"RELATIONS BETWEEN DENMARK AND YUGOSLAV WERE IDEAL".

5. AT DINNER GIVEN BY HARTLING THAT EVENING TITO'S SPEECH DEALT RATHER DIRECTLY WITH A NUMBER OF POLITICAL ISSUES. HE STATED "ADDITIONAL EFFORTS" WERE "REQUISITE IN ORDER TO BRING CSCE TO A SUCCESSFUL CLOSE," AND NOTED SPECIAL SIGNIFICANCE OF THE DECISIONS TAKEN BY THE SIXTH SPECIAL SESSION OF THE UNGA.

6. ON CYPRUS AND MIDDLE EAST TITO STATED, "I SHOULD LIKE TO EMPHASIZE THAT THE DEVELOPMENTS IN CYPRUS CONSTITUTE, IN THEIR ESSENCE AND CONSEQUENCES, AN ATTACK ON THE BASIC PRINCIPLES OF INTERNATIONAL LAW AND OF THE UNITED NATIONS CHARTER AND PARTICULARLY ON THE POLICY OF NON-ALIGNMENT. TOGETHER WITH THE NON-ALIGNED AND OTHER COUNTRIES YUGOSLAVIA HAS BEEN WORKING WHOLEHEARTEDLY TOWARDS THE OVERCOMING OF THE CRISIS, ON THE BASIS OF FULL RESPECT FOR INDEPENDENCE, SOVEREIGNTY AND TERRITORIAL INTEGRITY OF THE REPUBLIC OF CYPRUS. WE DEEM IT INDISPENSABLE THAT FOREIGN MILITARY FORCES AND BASES BE WITHDRAWN FROM THE ISLAND, AND THAT EQUITABLE RELATIONS BETWEEN THE GREEK AND TURKISH NATIONAL COMMUNITIES BE ESTABLISHED. I WISH TO POINT TO THE NEED FOR FULL ENGAGEMENT OF THE UNITED NATIONS, TO THE EFFORTS OF WHICH DENMARK HAS ALSO GIVEN HER REMARKABLE CONTRIBUTION.

"THE SITUATION IN THE MIDDLE EAST, REGRETTABLY, CONTINUES TO CAUSE EXTREME ALARM. I HAVE BEEN REPEATEDLY POINTING OUT THAT A COMPREHENSIVE AND FAIR SETTLEMENT IS UNTHINKABLE SO LONG AS THE OCCUPATION OF THE ARAB TERRITORIES CONTINUES, AND SO LONG AS THE NATIONAL AND HUMAN RIGHTS OF THE ARAB PEOPLE OF PALESTINE ARE NOT RECOGNIZED AND REALIZED. FOR, AS LONG AS THE FRUITS OF AGGRESSION ARE ENJOYED, THERE LIMITED OFFICIAL USE

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CAN BE NO TALK OF ESTABLISHING PEACE AND CREDIBILITY. WE ARE CONFIDENT, THOUGH, THAT WITHIN THE SAID FRAMEWORK IT IS POSSIBLE NOT ONLY TO EXTINGUISH A DANGEROUS HOTBED OF CONFLICT IN THIS ADJACENT REGION, BUT ALSO TO CREATE CONDITIONS FOR FULL SECURITY, INDEPENDENCE, AND GOOD-NEIGHBORLY COOPERATION AMONG ALL THE COUNTRIES IN THE MIDDLE EAST."

7. EARLIER IN THE WEEK TITO EXTENDED INVITATION FOR RETURN VISIT, WHICH QUEEN MARGRETHE ACCEPTED, "HOPEFULLY WITHIN THE NEAR FUTURE".
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